

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:)
Applicant : Roberto Fagnani et al.)
Appl. No. : 10/054,728)
Filed : October 25, 2001)
Title : THREE DIMENSIONAL FORMAT BIOCHIPS)
TC/A.U. : 1639)
Examiner : My-Chau T. Tran)
Customer No. : 22242)
Conf. No. : 3521)

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed on July 5, 2006, to which the shortened statutory period for response is being extended to expire on January 5, 2007, and for which a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being contemporaneously filed, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be amended as follows. Amendments to the claims begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 9.